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RECENT DEVELOPMENTS ON THE
REGULATORY FRONT

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REMEMBER LT. CHRISTOPHER COOKE . . . Last Tuesday's Federal Register contained a dubious tribute to the deputy commander of an Air Force Titan II missile crew, whose court-martial on espionage charges was scuttled because the Air Force reneged on its promise of immunity. The Navy has now formally amended its regulations to ensure that any promise of immunity offered in a case involving national security is approved by the Defense Department's general counsel in consultation with the Justice Department.

The Navy's rule follows the terms of a DOD directive issued in July, 1981, after the offer of "no prosecution" had been made to Cooke in return for his confession. The Air Force and the Army already have rules implementing the DOD directive.